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Applicants hereby request the withdrawal of the Notice of Abandonment mailed November 25, 2003, for the above-identified patent application. Applicants never received a Notice of Abandonment for the above-referenced application and only discovered the abandonment upon checking the PAIR system. According to the PAIR system, this case is being held in abandonment for failure to respond to office action (Exhibit 1).

Applicants submit that the application should not have been abandoned since Applicants timely filed a Certificate Of Mailing By Express Mail and Request For Rehearing Under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b) dated November 10, 2003 (copy attached as Exhibit 2). Also attached as Exhibit 3 is a copy of the return postcard that was date stamped by the United States Patent and Trademark Office indicating receipt of the Request For Rehearing on November 10, 2003.

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